

## LEE'S SUMMIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 2004 COMMUNITY SURVEY

The Lee's Summit School District is committed to making career education an integral component of the educational program. Your opinion counts! Please take a few moments to complete this community needs survey. We are interested in your feedback on the Lee's Summit School District career and technical education course offerings. If you prefer your survey to be anonymous, please do not include your information. Thanks for your input!

Please classify your primary business type:

- ☐ **Agriculture & Natural Resources:** planning, managing, and performing agricultural production and horticulture and landscaping services and related professional and technical services, mining and extraction operations, and managing and conserving natural resources and related environmental services.
- ☐ **Arts/Audio/Video Technology & Communications:** designing, producing, exhibiting, performing, writing, and publishing multimedia content, including visual and performing arts and design, journalism, and entertainment services.
- ☐ **Architecture & Construction:** designing, planning, managing, building, and maintaining physical structures and the larger building environment including roadways and bridges and industrial, commercial, and residential facilities and buildings.
- ☐ **Business & Administration:** planning, managing, and providing administrative support, information processing, accounting and human resource management services and related management support services.
- ☐ **Education & Training:** planning, managing, and providing education and training services and related learning support services, including assessment and library and information services.
- ☐ **Finance:** planning, managing, and providing banking, investment, financial planning, and insurance services.
- ☐ **Government & Public Administration:** planning, managing, and providing government, legislative, administrative, and regulatory services and related general purpose government services at the federal, state and local levels.
- ☐ **Health Science:** planning, managing, and providing diagnostic, therapeutic, and information and environmental services in health care.
- ☐ **Hospitality & Tourism:** planning, managing, and providing lodging, food, recreation, convention and tourism, and related planning and support services such as travel-related services.
- ☐ **Human Services:** planning, managing, and providing human services including social and related community services.
- ☐ **Information Technology Services:** designing, developing, managing, and supporting hardware, software, multimedia, and systems integration services.
- ☐ **Law & Public Safety:** planning, managing, and providing judicial, legal, and protective services, including professional and technical support services in the fire protection and criminal justice systems.
- ☐ **Manufacturing:** planning, managing, and performing the processing of materials into intermediate or final products and related professional and technical support activities such as production planning and control, maintenance, and manufacturing/process engineering.
- ☐ **Retail/Wholesale Sales & Services:** planning, managing, and performing wholesaling and retailing services and related marketing and distribution support services including merchandise/product management and promotion.
- ☐ **Scientific Research & Engineering:** planning, managing, and providing scientific research and professional and technical services (e.g., physical science, social science, engineering), including laboratory and testing services and research and development services.
- ☐ **Transportation Distribution & Logistics:** planning, management, and movement of people, materials, and goods by road, pipeline, air, rail, and water and related professional and technical support services such as transportation infrastructure planning and management, logistics services, mobile equipment and facility maintenance.

*Source: U.S. DOE and OVAE 16 Career Clusters: Securing Futures (2001)*

Please classify your secondary business type if applicable:

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How many employees in your business?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 1-10  | <input type="checkbox"/> 51-100  | <input type="checkbox"/> 501-1000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 11-25 | <input type="checkbox"/> 101-200 | <input type="checkbox"/> 1000+    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 26-50 | <input type="checkbox"/> 201-500 |                                   |
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Do any of your employees hold a nationally recognized certification?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Don't know

What certifications do your employees hold?

- ☐ CISCO
- ☐ A+
- ☐ MOS
- ☐ I-Net
- ☐ CCNA
- ☐ NATEF
- ☐ ASE
- ☐ ServSafe
- ☐ FMP
- ☐ Other-- Please list: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you think nationally recognized certifications are important for high school students?

- ☐ Very valuable
- ☐ Somewhat valuable
- ☐ Not valuable
- ☐ No opinion

Workers now need different knowledge and skills—understanding and using technology, adapting to change, solving problems, working in teams, communicating more effectively, information literacy, and a better understanding of the big picture and their part in it. Often called employability skills.

Please rate the following skills as to their importance to the everyday operation of your business?

Ability to adapt to change

- ☐ Important
- ☐ Somewhat important
- ☐ Not important

Solving problems

- ☐ Important
- ☐ Somewhat important
- ☐ Not important

Working in teams

- ☐ Important
- ☐ Somewhat important
- ☐ Not important

Word Processing

- ☐ Important
- ☐ Somewhat important
- ☐ Not important

Spreadsheets

- ☐ Important
- ☐ Somewhat important
- ☐ Not important

Embraces Diversity

- ☐ Important
- ☐ Somewhat important
- ☐ Not important

Database Management

- ☐ Important
- ☐ Somewhat important
- ☐ Not important

Oral Communication Skills

- ☐ Important
- ☐ Somewhat important
- ☐ Not important

Written Communication Skills

- ☐ Important
- ☐ Somewhat important

Interpersonal Skills

- ☐ Important
- ☐ Somewhat important
- ☐ Not important

- ☐ Not important

Computerized Accounting

- ☐ Important
- ☐ Somewhat important
- ☐ Not important

Manual Accounting

- ☐ Important
- ☐ Somewhat important
- ☐ Not important

Personal Data Assistants (PDA)

- ☐ Important
- ☐ Somewhat important
- ☐ Not important

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The Lee's Summit School District currently offers a variety of opportunities for students to gain career-related experiences outside of the classroom. After reading each description, please rate the value of such an opportunity. If you or someone within your organization is interested, please be sure to complete the contact information form at the end of this survey.

Job Shadowing Opportunities are usually a one-day experience where a student is matched with a particular employee for the day. Job Shadowing Opportunities are non-paid positions.

Do you think job shadowing provides a valuable opportunity for students to learn about a particular career path?

- ☐ Important
- ☐ Somewhat important
- ☐ Not important
- ☐ No opinion

Would your company be interested in participating in a Job Shadowing program?

- ☐ Very interested
  - ☐ Somewhat interested
  - ☐ Not interested
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Field Experience Opportunities are co-curricular in nature. A high school teacher works with a businessperson to establish a curriculum-related project. Students spend time at a business or in the classroom working on a specific project for the company. Field experiences are non-paid positions.

Do you think field experiences provide a valuable opportunity for students to learn about a particular career path?

- ☐ Important
- ☐ Somewhat important
- ☐ Not important

☐ No opinion

Would your company be interested in participating in a Field Experience program?

☐ Very interested

☐ Somewhat interested

☐ Not interested

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Internships are paid positions where students work 10-20 hours per week and are enrolled in a related class while in high school. Internships are under the joint supervision of an employee and a school district employee, specifically a teacher/coordinator. The employer determines the rate of pay. Students participating in an internship program receive a grade for their performance on the job.

Do you think internships provide a valuable opportunity for students to learn about a particular career path?

☐ Important

☐ Somewhat important

☐ Not important

☐ No opinion

Would your company be interested in participating in an internship program?

☐ Very interested

☐ Somewhat interested

☐ Not interested

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Advisory councils are a group of interested citizens who advise the school on various phases of a school improvement plan specific to a career related area.

Would you be interested in serving as an advisor to a career-related area?

☐ Very interested

☐ Somewhat interested

☐ Not interested

Please choose which career cluster most matches your area of interest: (You may choose more than one.)

☐ Agriculture & Natural Resources

☐ Arts/Audio/Video Technology & Communications

☐ Architecture & Construction

☐ Business & Administration

☐ Education & Training

☐ Finance

☐ Government & Public Administration

☐ Health Science

☐ Hospitality & Tourism

☐ Human Services

☐ Information Technology Services

- ☐ Law & Public Safety
- ☐ Manufacturing
- ☐ Retail/Wholesale Sales & Services
- ☐ Scientific Research & Engineering
- ☐ Transportation Distribution & Logistics

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Teacher Externships are an opportunity for a company to employ a teacher for a specific project during the summer months. Teachers can then bring what they learned back to the classroom. Teacher externship positions would be paid positions. The employer determines the rate of pay.

Would your company be interested in participating in a teacher externship program?

- ☐ Very interested
- ☐ Somewhat interested
- ☐ Not interested

Do you see the value of offering career-related experiences for high school teachers?

- ☐ Very valuable
- ☐ Somewhat valuable
- ☐ Not valuable
- ☐ No opinion

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General Comments/Questions: \_\_\_\_\_

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Would you like for the school district to contact you for further clarification on any of the items listed on this survey? If so, make sure you provide the information below.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Name:

Company:

Address 1:

Address 2:

City:

State:

ZIP:

Phone:

Email Address: